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Arnold Sodder *et al.*

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Art Unit: 2616

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR A  
VIRTUAL HIERARCHICAL LOCAL AREA  
NETWORK

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Examiner: Soon D. Hyun

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the non-final Office Action dated May 29, 2008 (Paper No. 20080521), the response due date of which is extended to October 29, 2008, by the accompanying Request for Extension of Time, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.